The Florida Senate

COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

HIGHER EDUCATION Senator Oelrich, Chair Senator Siplin, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Monday, April 4, 2011

TIME: 3:15 —5:15 p.m.

PLACE: 301 Senate Office Building

MEMBERS: Senator Oelrich, Chair; Senator Siplin, Vice Chair; Senators Lynn, Negron, and Sachs

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	SB 260 Ring (Compare H 875)	Nonpublic Postsecondary Educational Institutions; Requires that a licensed independent postsecondary educational institution notify the Commission for Independent Education of changes in its accreditation status. Provides penalties for failure to provide the notice. Requires that institutions become accredited within a specified period after licensure. Requires a licensed institution that is not accredited to include certain information on the institution's website. Requires that the commission revoke the license or authorization of an institution that does not meet requirements concerning accreditation, etc.	Fav/CS Yeas 3 Nays 0
2	SB 430 Altman (Similar CS/H 171)	Veterans' Affairs; Expands the definition of "veteran" for purposes of construction of the Florida Statutes. Provides educational opportunity at state expense for dependent children of military personnel who die or suffer certain disability in specified military operations. MS 03/10/2011 Favorable HE 04/04/2011 Fav/CS BC	Fav/CS Yeas 3 Nays 0
3	SB 720 Gaetz (Identical H 377)	Cancer Research and Control; Changes the carryforward period of certain funds of the Biomedical Research Trust Fund. Modifies the terms and membership and establishes a staggered membership for appointed members of the Biomedical Research Advisory Council. Authorizes the council to recommend a portion of the allocation for the James and Esther King Biomedical Research Program for specified purposes and to develop a grant application and review mechanism, etc. HR 03/22/2011 Favorable HE 04/04/2011 Fav/CS BC	Fav/CS Yeas 3 Nays 0

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4	CS/SB 952 Commerce and Tourism / Richter (Similar CS/H 599)	Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds; Provides requirements for the management of funds held by an institution exclusively for charitable purposes. Provides standards of conduct in managing and investing institutional funds. Provides requirements for appropriation for expenditure or accumulation of an endowment fund by an institution. Authorizes an institution to delegate to an external agent the management and investment of an institutional fund, etc. CM 03/22/2011 Fav/CS HE 04/04/2011 Fav/CS	Fav/CS Yeas 3 Nays 0
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5	CS/SB 1546 Education Pre-K - 12 / Thrasher (Compare H 7195, H 7197, S 1620)	Charter Schools; Revises provisions relating to the sponsoring entities of charter schools. Authorizes state universities and colleges to approve charter school applications and develop charter schools under certain circumstances. Provides for the designation of charter schools as high-performing if certain requirements are met. Creates the College-Preparatory Boarding Academy Pilot Program for dependent or at-risk students. Requires that the OPPAGA conduct a study comparing the funding of charter schools to the funding of public schools, etc.	Fav/CS Yeas 4 Nays 0
		ED 03/23/2011 Temporarily Postponed ED 03/30/2011 Fav/CS HE 04/04/2011 Fav/CS BC	
6	SM 1654 Wise (Similar CS/HM 1445)	Educational Programs Beyond the Secondary Level; Notifies the Federal Government of colleges and universities in this state which are authorized to operate educational programs beyond the secondary level.	Fav/CS Yeas 3 Nays 0
		HE 04/04/2011 Fav/CS	
7	SB 1732 Lynn (Compare H 4153, H 4175, H 4177, H 7151, CS/S 632)	Postsecondary Education; Requires the Board of Governors of the State University System, in coordination with the Higher Education Coordinating Council, to develop a plan for establishing certain comprehensive undergraduate universities. Requires the Board of Governors to submit a plan to transfer a Florida College System institution to the State University System. Repeals provisions relating to the Florida Business and Education Collaborative. Repeals provisions relating to an exemption from provisions governing the approval process for baccalaureate degrees, etc.	Fav/CS Yeas 3 Nays 0
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